

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to RCE/Amendments filed 05-21-2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7, 10-13, 15-16, 20-22, 26, 59-60, 34, 62, 44, and 47-48 (renumbering as 1-24 respectively).
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☒ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____



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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Claims 1-7, 10-13, 15-16, 20-22, 26, 59-60, 34, 62, 44, and 47-48 are allowed over the prior art of record.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

In interpreting the claims in light of the specification and applicant's Amendment filed 05-21-2007. Examiner finds the claimed invention is patentably distinct from the prior art of record.

The prior art of record Hind (US006635088B1), in view of Girardot (US006883137B1), which set forth in the previous rejection mailed on 12-22-2006.

The prior art of record taught most of the Applicant's claimed limitation, but does not expressly teach the amended portions discloses in the RCE/amendments filed 05-21-2007 " start tag and of said end tag generates corresponding hashed start and end tags; wherein corresponding hashed start and end tags for the first pair of tags are incorporated into the encoded representation of the document; wherein the document further includes a second pair of tags comprising respective start and end tags, the second pair of tags being nested within the first pair of tags in the document, and said method comprising further steps of processing the second pair of tags to form corresponding second hashed start and end tags; and augmenting the encoded representation of the document using the corresponding second hashed start and end tags so that the second hashed start and end tags indicate a nesting in relation to the hashed start and end tags for the first pair of tags which is equivalent to the nesting of the second pair of tags within the first pair of tags."

In addition, the Examiner equates the claimed as equivalent to the following:

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105 <Shakespeare>
110 <!--This is a comment-->
115 <div class="preface" Name1="value1" name2="value2">
120 <mult list=<> </mult>
125 <banquo>
130 Say [1]
135 <quote>
140 goodnight </quote>,
145 Hamlet.</banquo>
150 <Hamiet><quote>Goodnight, Hamlet. </quote></Hamlet>
155 <1 Shakespeare>
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the XML fragment [1] yields the following hierarchical representation of parsed mark-up tags in the sub-process fig. 2 item, 212, place element string into memory representation of document structure as shows in [2]: (see current disclosure para 6, 227 fig. 2, and 3),

206	Shakespeare		
215	div		
220	mult		
221	/mult		
225	banquo		
235		quote	
240		quote	[2]
245	/banquo		
250	Hamlet		
251		quote	
252		/quote	
253	/Hamlet		
255	/Shakespeare		

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The equivalent hierarchical representation is depicted in [3]. The hierarchical representation in [3] is made up of parsed hashed mark-up tags, wherein a domain of tag names is constrained to those shown in the following Table 1, and a hash mapping (which is functionally equivalent to application of a hash "function") is shown in the following table: (see current disclosure para 228 and table 1)

TABLE 1

<u>Hash Mapping</u>	
Tag	Hash Code Number
Shakespeare	133
Div	326
Mult	371
Banquo	787
Quote	629
Hamlet	411

Based on the above hash mapping, the following hierarchical representation of the XML fragment shown in [1] results shows in [3]: (see current disclosure para 2290

205	133			
215		326		
222		371		
223		/371		
225		787		
235			629	
240			/629	[3]
245		/787		
254		411		
255			629	
256			/629	
257		/411		
255	/133			

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and the results from [1] with tags in the hashed formed based on [2], hash mapping table 1, and [3], has the following form: (see current disclosure para 239)

505	<133>	
110	<!--This is a comment-->	
515	<326 class="preface" Name1="value1" name2="value2">	
520	<371 list=&It;></371>	
525	<787>	
130	Say	[4]
535	<629>	
540	goodnight </629>,	
545	Hamlet.</787>	
550	<411><629>Goodnight, Hamlet. </629></411>	
555	</133>	

The Examiner asserts that the claims overcome the prior art of record when the limitations are read in combination with the respective claimed limitations in their entirety.

The dependent claims, being further limiting to the independent claims, definite and enabled by the Specification are also allowed.

Conclusion


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Quoc A. Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-8664.

The examiner can normally be reached on 9AM - 5PM EST.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Doug Hutton can be reached on 571-272-4137. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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